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Summary:

Eddie is, by all means, a popular vlogger. He's worked hard to get himself where he is, and the fans love him for that, appreciate him for that.

But they're also somewhat obsessed with Richie Tozier, and trying to decide if Eddie is, in fact, dating him.

So sue them.

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Author's Note:

Based on [this post](#)

I. 101 WAYS TO DITCH YOUR FRIENDS - 932k VIEWS

One of the most popular videos on Eddie's entire channel, at least for a while, this is where Eddie introduces them. The Losers Club. He's mentioned them, sure. Talked about having them on for a video, showed off their makeup or their art and directed his fan base to their social medias, but this is where he *finally* introduces them.

Big Bill is first. Eddie's best friend, the sweetest guy there is, always there for Eddie. One of the only people to not have made fun of him in middle school for having asthma, Bill knew stuff to do. Places to go. Things to see. And the thing is, Eddie may not have needed an inhaler anymore, but he still never breathed as well as he did when he was with Bill. They'd run all night and never need to catch their breath, that was the kind of bond they had.

And then there's Mike, and okay, maybe Bill isn't the *sweetest* guy in the world. He's up there, sure, but he doesn't compare to Mike Hanlon. From the moment Mike is on screen, he's smiling. Then he realizes he's being filmed, and he smiles even *more*. He wants to show the camera a thousand things, from the soft sheep on his farm, to the flowers he's pressed in his free time, to the pages of history he has organized on his book shelves. Mike is smiles and safety, strong and soft all at once.

Ben is quiet most of the time he's on camera. While Eddie promises Ben's all laughs when they're hanging out, he's just too shy to do

anything for what could possibly (and definitely would) be thousands of people. He's better at writing words than saying them, and Eddie shamelessly uses that as an opportunity to plug Ben's up and coming poetry book that he's been setting up a kickstarter for.

Beverly, Stan, and Richie come as a tangled group. It's a whirlwind, really, the four of them pushing through the walmart doors at almost 2am. There's a lot of swift laughter and fumbling of the phone, unwillingly passing the camera from set of hands to set of hands. At some point Richie refuses to give the phone back, holding it high above his head, camera angled down towards a clearly angry Eddie.

There's a lot of banter, and even Bev and Stan can be heard "oo-ing" in the background and yelling out to "just kiss already!" It's clearly a joke (maybe?) between a close group of friends, but all of Eddie's fans *instantly* latch onto this. It's perfect, an equal amount of fond push and shove on each end, and it's *addictive*.

The walmart group each get their own sections later, and some more group videos are thrown in towards the end, but all of the gif sets made seem to revolve around Richie. His sections is mostly Richie taking the phone and talking about himself, making bad jokes that Eddie swears he's going to cut out, but it all stays in the video anyway, gasoline on the fire.

II. FUCK THE CHALLENGE SYSTEM - 458k VIEWS

Eddie hates challenges. All of his fans know this, just as they know that any challenge they want Eddie to do - they send to Richie.

Because Richie gets Eddie to do anything.

And that, right there, is what holds every single fan up. If they weren't dating, why was Eddie putty in Richie's hands? Best friends, sure, but none of Eddie's *other* friends convinced him to do challenges.

(They don't mention that maybe, just maybe, it's because Richie is a little shit that loves pushing Eddie's buttons, and all of his other friends respect him when he declines.

Yeah, they just don't mention it.)

Except this time, there is no actual challenge. Eddie is going off about how wrong they make him feel, how perverse it is to not only force an uncomfortable situation onto him, but to then expect him to force another youtuber into doing the same. It's unfair, and unclear, and while he respects any fellow vloggers who enjoy the challenges, he's officially cancelling any challenge videos on his page ever again.

Richie, who just seems to always be around when challenges are mentioned (who seems to just always be around) immediately flies into the frame.

"You heard it! Eds spagehds is officially moving all challenge videos to *my* page, so if you want to catch them, you're gonna have to follow this mother fucker right here." Eddie's protests and profanities go ignored, shouts of, "Rich, no! Fuck no!" and then the video cuts to an unfamiliar room, with Eddie moping dejectedly in his chair.

It's thirty seconds exactly (00:30) of Eddie looking sadly into the camera, dead silence around him. In the empty space next to him, a chair that presumably expects to host one Richie Tozier, is a hyperlink to Richie's channel, and their first Challenge Compilation video.

(Eddie Finally Does All the Challenges He's Been Refusing, All At Once - 212k Views)

And now the subs *know* that Richie can make Eddie do anything, any fucking thing.

And they know what the inside of Richie's room looks like, too.

III. WHY GAYS RELY ON PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION - 644k VIEWS

This video is literally the most fucking blurry, conspiracy theory, *I-Have-Proof-Of-The-Lochness-Monster* shit that Eddie's fandom has ever seen. It is, by all accounts, a normal ass vlog. Eddie's there at his counter, bright sunlight from the large windows in his kitchen filtering into the space, a cup of (presumably) black tea immediately to Eddie's right. Not that he'll ever drink it in the video, because he never does, but he does use it to keep his hands warm when they aren't busy flying all over the place while he angrily vents about why public transportation is the worst, but actually driving makes him too fucking anxious to function.

Because, come on, *fuck* turnpikes.

The video is approximately two minutes and thirteen seconds (2:13) long, and yet this video has *triple* the amount of views as every past two minute long vlog for the past *four months* .

(Four months ago Eddie released a two minute vlog that was nothing but Eddie's friends petting his hair, and Eddie making soft happy faces in return. The fandom continues to keep that video alive, if only by desperately comparing the length of Richie petting Eddie to the length of every other loser doing so in hopes that the numbers will add up and mean something. So far, it doesn't.)

There's really nothing about this vlog that stands out, not even the mug Eddie uses or the clothes he wears. The outfit is one that they've seen before, between fashion vlogs and #ootd instagram posts.

No, the reason this particular video skyrockets in popularity is not because of anything Eddie does, but because, around 1:43, from a very distant shot, you can see a figure lazily walking into the kitchen, grabbing a bowl and some cereal, and leaving. That figure, almost 100% wearing nothing but boxers, looks a hell of a lot like one Richie Tozier.

You know, disregarding the distance. And the pixelation. And Eddie's face cutting off the figure most of the time anyway, because it is *his* vlog.

But that almost-naked figure in the background is definitely an almost-naked Richie Tozier, the fandom swears it.

IV. PRETTY BOY TRANSFORMATION - 722k VIEWS

The entire fan base already knew Eddie was a pretty boy. That was half of the appeal of his channel in the first place, that you knew exactly what you were going to get. A safe place for any identity. Eddie had been sent plenty of soft shirts and flower crowns already, and half of what he opened on his unboxing streams was pastel. The fans didn't need to make edits or gifs or icons - Eddie was perfectly happy to wear all of it on his own.

But Eddie with make up, *that* was an entirely new type of pretty boy.

The video starts with Bev and Eddie bickering, and quickly devolves into not-so-subtly shoving each other's shoulders while trying to get in front of the camera. They're both laughing, wide smiles and warm eyes, until finally Bev pushes Eddie's head down and sticks her whole face into the camera to let all 1.2 million subscribers know that she is, in fact, going to do Eddie's makeup - but only after letting Eddie pick his own outfit, first.

The dusty blue eyeshadow is a safe choice, and matches the large sweater Eddie's wearing. Then Bev is drawing large wings onto Eddie's tan skin with white liquid, and lining his bottom lid with decorative dots. Eddie tries to sass Bev the entire time she's trying to put on white lipstick that she had found from god knows where, but Eddie refuses to stop talking until finally she admits defeat and let's Eddie put on a soft matte pink instead. The last touch is silver glitter, thickly painted from the corner of Eddie's eyes and down his cheeks.

The orange light of the sun skips across Eddie, shimmering like dust. Eddie makes a pouty kissy face, lips puckered and eyelashes fluttering, head just barely resting on his hand while his large sleeve

slides down his thin wrist. And that's when it happens.

The first actual *conclusive* clue.

(So the fans say. Because really, an audio clip that is exactly .02 seconds long is hardly more conclusive than any of their video evidence, but the file still spreads like wildfire.)

“Cute, cute, cute!”

The voice comes from off screen, and Eddie snaps his teeth in the direction of Richie's voice before the video hard cuts to Eddie posing for the camera.

V. TRANSPORTATION STRIKES AGAIN - 834k VIEWS

It's another shitty phone video, and this time the quality is even worse because of the trembling car. A quarter of the video is blurred, and again, this is another two minute vlog. Two minutes and thirty one seconds (2:31) to be exact. A quarter of that leaves, well, not much *actual* time to have *actual* footage.

Once again, Eddie's transportation life is crumbling. The buses are all shut down, too many workers on strike, and there's no other quick way to be mobile. He's stuck in Richie's run down truck, and maybe he's a little fond of it, but he doesn't have *time* for Richie to make seven ridiculous pit stops.

The fans are a little disappointed that they don't get to see Richie and Eddie's gas station excursions, but they notice when the video cuts from an empty truck to one filled with drinks and snacks, and that only means one thing - Eddie gave in and let Richie get whatever he wanted. Again.

One point for the shippers.

It's a short glance into Eddie's life, just something quick to keep his subs satisfied until he can finish editing his full length video, which he promises will be out by the end of the next day.

"Aw, Eds, it's like you care." Then Richie's ruffling Eddie's wind swept hair, and Eddie is trying to keep his stern expression on despite the laughter that starts bubbling up from his chest. He swats at Richie's hand, yelling at him to watch where he's fucking *driving*, but even behind the wheel Richie manages to be a menace.

Then they're there, wherever there is, (and yet again the fans wish they knew, because Eddie casually keeps skipping over it, but they can at least realize there's a line of privacy there *somewhere* that they shouldn't overstep). Then Richie is taking the phone from Eddie, mock saluting it, and kissing Eddie's head before pushing him out the door.

Yeah, all of the fans double take, too. Rewind the video, and then rewind it again. Throw on captions for good measure. That's definitely there, they aren't searching pixels this time.

Richie just kissed Eddie on the forehead. If he isn't whipped, which he *should* be, then all of Eddie's fans will be whipped for him.

+ I. THE REAL MTV: CRIB TOUR!! - 1.1M VIEWS

Eddie's not in his normal spot. The lighting is different, and the camera is close to his face - utilizing an above angle that Eddie doesn't use often.

But Eddie's smiling, his face expression tired and content. Most of his greeting comes out mumbled, and he tries his best to address his fans, but he can't. He's *too comfortable*, he tells them. He recently invested in a good pillow, and boy, has it made all the difference. He's not a sell out, he just doesn't see anything wrong with product placement. If a quality brand is willing to offer him merchandise for free, he's gonna take it.

Except then he's pushed, and the feed goes hazy for a moment, until the phone is back up in place - and zoomed out this time, too.

Eddie is on his couch, curled up in between Richie's legs. "I'm not a pillow, Eds. I'm not sponsoring you."

"Of course you are, shut the fuck up."

Then Eddie's rambling about how comfortable the cushions are, how warm the sunlight is, how he doesn't think he'll ever walk again if it means he has to get up. He goes on like this for a long while, and

Richie just watches him, his own hair wild with sleep and a smile taking up over half his face. When Eddie realizes he's talking to himself, he turns in Richie's arms to look up at his face, and Richie jolts.

"Hey there, princess."

"Are we going to show them our new apartment or not?"

"Mmmmm.... or not, if that means I get to stay here with you." Eddie sighs in defeat, but he doesn't look disappointed in the slightest as he leans back to lay his head against Richie's chest. Richie dips down to kiss his forehead before taking the phone, leading his own rambling.

Twelve minutes in, (12:46 exactly), Eddie blinks awake. He looks up and wordlessly cuts Richie off, pressing their lips together gently. There's a few seconds of silence where the two pull back to stare at each other with soft smiles curling their lips, sunlight filtering between them.

The fandom cries.

"Come on, loser, let's show them our new *home* already."

The fandom cries harder.

Author's Note:

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